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Municipal Tax Burden On Cottonwood Heights Residents Among the Lowest in the State

By Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore Jr.



'Tis the season for property tax notices. Every August, all property owners in Cottonwood Heights receive their annual property tax

notice. The value of your property is determined by the county assessor. The tax rates applied to the value of your property are set by each jurisdiction (city, school, county, etc.) and overseen by the State Tax Commission. Those rates are calculated to yield tax revenues to the taxing entity roughly equivalent to the taxes paid the prior year - unless the taxing entity is imposing a tax increase. Those imposing a tax increase are identified on your tax notice and the time and date of the hearing on the proposed tax increase is also shown on your tax notice.

"For the eleventh straight year there will be no increase in property taxes..."

If your property tax is not roughly equivalent to what you paid last year, and there are no taxing entities imposing a tax increase, it means that the county assessor has changed the value of your home beyond the average increase or decrease for the area.. The opportunity to appeal the valuation of your home ran from Aug. 1, 2015 to Sept. 15, 2015. There are exceptions for a late appeal listed on the county website

at www.slco.org/property-tax.

We are pleased to report that for the eleventh straight year (since we incorporated) there will be no increase in property taxes imposed by Cottonwood Heights.

In July 2015, the Utah Taxpayers Association published their 2015 Cost of City Governments based on fiscal year 2014 data. In this report, the Taxpayers Association attempted to provide an equalized look at what residents paid for their city government in the 50 largest cities in Utah. They state in the opening paragraph of their report that, "This data provides a snapshot of on average how much of each thousand dollars earned by a citizen is consumed by the city government in Utah."

The report goes on to say, "This report systematically compares how well elected officials

in Utah's cities control public spending and illustrates the relationship between government as a service provider and citizens as consumers."

The report ranked the 50 largest cities and compared how much citizens paid per thousand dollars of income for city government and how much tax revenue per capita each city received. Cottonwood Heights ranked 21st in population among the 50 largest cities in the state with a population of 34,238. The average population of the 50 cities was 42,588 and the median was 29,815. We were just about in the middle.

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Upcoming Cottonwood Heights Events

Just because summer is over doesn't mean Cottonwood Heights is slowing down! There are two upcoming Arts Council events, along with a fun Halloween activity for the kids.

- Oct. 1-31** **Photography Exhibit - Whitmore Library**
An awards ceremony and open house will be held on Oct. 7, 2015. at 7 p.m. For more detailed information, including rules and deadlines for the Photography contest, visit arts.ch.utah.gov.
- Oct. 24** **Midsummer Night's Dream - Butler Middle School**
The community children's theater will perform A Midsummer Night's Dream at 7:00 pm.
- Oct. 30** **Monster Mash On Ice - Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center**
5-7 pm. All activities are free for kids 12 and under. This year Spiderman, Baymax (Big Hero 6), Cinderella, Ariel, and Rapunzel will be stopping by from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Dec. 12** **Peter Breinholt Christmas Concert - Butler Middle School**
7:30 pm. Watch Peter Breinholt and pianist David Tolk perform. Ticket info coming to ch.utah.gov

More information about arts council activities and other events can be found at www.ch.utah.gov.



Art Council Presents CH Art Exhibit

A big thanks to all the gifted people who contributed their talents to the Arts Show at the Whitmore Library in September. Be sure to check out all the great images taken for the photography contest in October at the library, too. ■



Taxes, continued from cover

The report calculates that the average amount per thousand dollars of income that Utah residents in these 50 largest cities paid for municipal government and services was \$25 or 2.5%. According to the report, Cottonwood Heights residents paid \$11.49, or less than half the average. The only city where residents paid less was Riverton. We ranked as second lowest among the 50 largest cities. An argument could be made that Cottonwood Heights should have been the lowest because our residents do not pay extra taxes for fire and police services as the residents of Riverton do. In other words, this report looked only at tax revenues taken in by the city. Riverton residents pay taxes to service districts, not the city, for police and fire so those taxes are not included in the Riverton tax revenue calculated in this report. Therefore, arguably, Cottonwood Heights residents paid the lowest percentage of their income for municipal government of any of the 50 largest cities in the state according to this report.

Cottonwood Heights ranked second highest in per capita income of the fifty largest cities reporting in at \$36,668. This is considerably higher than the average of \$23,707 for all 50 cities in the report. The fact that our per capita income was so high explains, in part, why we were so low when considering tax revenue the city receives as a factor of per capita income. It does not, however, negate the fact that Cottonwood Heights residents paid less of their income for city taxes than virtually any other city in the state.

Examining tax revenue on a per capita basis takes into account the amount of tax revenue the city receives divided by the number of residents. The fifty largest cities received on average \$568 in tax revenue per capita during

lowest, we were still at the very low end of the scale.

We are pleased that Cottonwood Heights residents paid the least amount of taxes per thousand dollars of income for municipal government of virtually any other city in the



the period covered by this report. Cottonwood Heights received \$421 in tax revenue per capita which was well below the average. It ranked us as the 11th lowest in per capita tax revenue of the 50 cities included in this report. However, it should be noted that, like Riverton, three of the 10 cities that were lower also paid separate taxes to a service district for fire services not included in their city budgets and two paid extra to a service district for police services that were not in their city budget. Arguably, that would have moved Cottonwood Heights up to 8th lowest among the 50 largest cities. Whether we were ranked 8th lowest or 11th

state and that our per capita taxation rates were also among the lowest in the state according to this report. As you pay your property tax this year, please rest assured that we as city leaders are committed to being fiscally responsible. We understand the need to balance taxes assessed with the service levels our residents have come to expect. We appreciate reports like this from the Utah Taxpayers Association that tend to validate that our fiscal policies are effective. If you would like to read the entire report, it can be found online at <http://www.utahtaxpayers.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/Final-City-Cost-of-Government-Report-2015.pdf> ■

Cottonwood Heights Art Council Proudly Announces Its 2016 Summer Musical

SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS

We are currently accepting applications for production team members. All positions are open. If you are interested, please send a letter of intent along with qualifications to Kim Pederson kpetersen@ch.utah.gov ■

History Question of the Month

What Do You Know About Will Dyer's Road?

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Marathon Comes To Cottonwood Heights

The 2015 Revel Big Cottonwood Marathon and Half Marathon (Presented By Lexus) came to Cottonwood Heights on Saturday, Sept. 12. This is a big event that receives nationwide attention.

It was the fourth year that the marathon was held in Cottonwood Heights and the second year in which part of the course ran down the middle of Fort Union Boulevard.

The city recognizes the inconvenience to our residents caused by road restrictions and closures. We express appreciation for the collective patience and understanding.

We believe the race is a great way to emphasize the importance of being physically fit while hosting a major event that reflects well on our community.

The city welcomes any suggestions as to how we can minimize the inconvenience for all. We thank our businesses along Fort Union who so willingly cooperated with this event.

The Revel Big Cottonwood Canyon Marathon and Half Marathon drew more than 4,600 runners and even more spectators to Cottonwood Heights. The marathon is a qualifying event for the Boston Marathon. ■

Quail Hollow Fire Leads To Evacuations

A fast-moving brush fire led to the evacuation of several homes on the southeast edge of Cottonwood Heights on Sept. 1.

The fire broke out at approximately 10 a.m. near 9322 S. Quail Hollow Road. The UFA later announced that an exploding power transformer was most likely the cause of the fire.

Heavy winds blew the fire north toward nearby homes in the Green Hills subdivision. Green Hills Drive, Despain Way and Treasure Way were the immediately affected streets.

Between 20 and 30 homes were immediately evacuated. Nearly 60 homes were threatened. By 3 p.m., all evacuations were lifted, and residents were allowed to return to their homes.

Unified Fire Authority crews worked fast to fight the flames and save homes, as helicopters from Hill Air Force Base were called in to drop water on the fire.

At least 30 fire trucks from many surrounding jurisdictions and close to 90 crewmembers were working the blaze, which eventually burned 28 acres.

In the early stages of the incident, a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) was issued by the FAA, prohibiting all aircraft (including drones) from the airspace over the fire, so that helicopters and other official aircraft could work on the fire.

Luckily, only one detached garage was damaged.

The city thanks UFA crews and police who worked so fast to contain the fire, minimize damage and preserve the lives and property of our citizens. ■



Whitmore Library Reopens



Whitmore Library officially reopened on Sept. 19 after being closed most of the summer to make way for some long overdue renovations.

The festivities began with free bagels, followed by a short ceremony to thank all who made the renovations possible.

Library patrons were treated to live music by The Antrim Duo, while kids of all ages took advantage of free face painting, carnival games, balloon hats, a prize wheel and treats. ■



Answer

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The road between 26th East and 35th East, part of today's Bengal Boulevard, was called Will Dyer's Road because he was the only one living along that stretch of road. Will Dyer was the son of Thomas Dyer and Julia Rasmussen, who were original settlers of the Danish Town area. Will's father, Thomas, was a miner and gone a lot. It was left to his boys to help their mother run the 120 acre homestead. Will married Laura Butler, the daughter of Eri Butler. Eri Butler moved to the Butler Bench about 1875 where he was a wheelwright and owned a blacksmith shop. He moved to Idaho sometime after 1910 where he lived until his wife died in 1922. After Will and Laura were married in 1904, they built a house on Will's father's property about half way between what is now Danish Road and 35th East (Deer Creek Road area.) Will Dyer was mostly a farmer, but during the summer months he would patrol Little Cottonwood Canyon, on horseback, keeping the livestock away from the creek. They had six children, two that died as infants. In the 1930's their house burned down. They never rebuilt. They sold the property to Lewis Larsen and left the area. ■

Stevens-Henager Partners With Mayor to Award Scholarships

As part of the ongoing effort to make life better for Cottonwood Heights residents, Mayor Kelynn Cullimore is pleased to sponsor two special Mayor's Scholarships to Stevens-Henager College, Salt Lake/Murray campus. One scholarship provides \$15,000 toward an associate's degree, and the other provides \$25,000 toward a bachelor's degree.

"I invite any interested Cottonwood Heights resident to apply for either scholarship, regardless of your age," says Mayor Cullimore. "You just need to write an essay titled 'Why Cottonwood Heights is the best city.' I'll also consider each applicant's financial need, community service, and extracurricular activities. I look forward to awarding these two scholarships to deserving Cottonwood Heights residents."

As a nonprofit institution, Stevens-Henager College makes the Mayor's Scholarship

available through its Good Neighbor Initiative. Associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees are available in healthcare, business, technology, and graphic arts. Residents who don't receive a Mayor's Scholarship are welcome to apply for additional scholarships and financial aid.

For more details and to apply for Mayor Kelynn Cullimore's scholarships, email your essay to craig.wallace@stevenshenager.edu. The application deadline is 10/30/2015. If you have any questions, call 801-281-7632. Stevens-Henager College is located at 383 West Vine Street in Murray. ■



Proposition One is being placed before voters in 17 counties across Utah, including Salt Lake County. If passed, the proposition will enable the respective counties to impose a quarter cent sales tax earmarked for transportation and transit funding in the cities and counties where the tax is approved. In an effort to inform voters about the issues of taxes and transportation, Cottonwood Heights is presenting arguments both for and against Proposition One.

Vote Yes On Prop. 1

Each registered voter in Cottonwood Heights will receive a ballot in the mail starting in October. Some will have local election decisions, but all will be asked to vote on Proposition One. Prop One asks whether voters should approve a quarter cent sales tax increase (except on food) to fund local transportation and transit. 40% of the funds will go to local municipalities for transportation, bike paths, sidewalks and other infrastructure needs. 20% will go to counties for similar applications. Utah Transit Authority will receive the other 40% to improve bus service in the community. And for those concerned about how UTA would deploy these funds, they have made it crystal clear to all elected officials it will be used to improve frequency and number of existing bus routes.

This tax amounts to one penny paid for every four dollars spent on taxable goods and services. As a fiscal conservative, I am loath to support new taxes unless there is a clear need and obvious benefit. In this case, the need is abundantly clear and benefit easily understood. It is estimated this new tax will cost about \$40 per person per year. However, the cost of not properly funding our road and infrastructure maintenance will result in roads falling into disrepair. Such roads result in higher fuel use, tire wear and extra car maintenance. In other words, there is a cost to doing nothing.

It is important to understand that for every dollar we are able to allocate to road maintenance we save \$6 in future repairs and up to \$25 in reconstruction costs when roads fail beyond our ability to repair. Maintaining a vibrant transportation system is critical to not only our own personal travel, but economic prosperity in general. Our ability to access goods and services depends on a strong transportation and transit system. Business depends on an effective transportation system.

Traditionally, cost of road maintenance has been funded by gas taxes. Most of the gas taxes we pay are funneled to the federal and state coffers. This new revenue would be earmarked specifically for local transportation and transit needs. Absent this extra revenue, cities will be required to either allow roads to deteriorate over time, repurpose funds from public safety (police and fire) or other community services, or find other ways to raise revenue through property taxes to meet transportation needs.

More than 110 cities and towns in Utah, including Cottonwood Heights, passed resolutions urging Prop One be put on the ballot. We all recognize that as stewards of the public trust, we must speak out that transportation funding has reached a critical point. This new revenue source is much more of an investment than a cost. Properly deployed, these revenues will save money in the long term.

Voting YES on Prop One will save Utah families money by maintaining our infrastructure properly, protect local businesses, improve air quality and assure we maintain a quality of life through well maintained roads and better transit services.

Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore, Jr.
Cottonwood Heights ■

Vote No On Prop. 1

If approved, the combined state and local sales tax in Salt Lake County will increase from 6.85% to 7.1% -- a change that will increase taxes, on average, by \$50 per person or \$200 for an average family of four. This could mean the difference between a week or more worth of groceries for most families.

Utah families have had enough new taxes this year as it is. The local option sales tax would be the third tax increase Utah residents have faced this year. In March, the legislature voted to approve a 5-cent-per-gallon increase in the gas tax, which now means that Utah drivers will pay over 48-cents-per-gallon just in taxes every time they fill up the tank. The state legislature also raised homeowner's property taxes in the valley an average of \$50 per home.

Considered separately, these tax increases may not sound like much, but for lower-income and middle-class families, every dollar counts and higher local sales taxes would only make their financial struggles worse.

Supporters say that the proposed tax increase is, in part, for road and infrastructure improvement. But 40% of the tax increase -- almost \$20 million dollars worth -- will actually be diverted to help fund the Utah Transit Authority. The Utah Transit Authority already receives \$139.2 million in Salt Lake County alone.

UTA executives receive six figure salaries and tens of thousands of dollars in bonuses and perks. The agency's CEO travelled out of state on agency-funded trips 42 times in 28 months, travelling internationally nearly as often as the President of the United States.

It's about stewardship. If the UTA can afford to pay such high salaries and award such benefits, then they probably can also afford to better shepherd the resources taxpayers have given them.

The Utah Transit Authority doesn't need another \$20 million in extra revenue. Instead, the agency should be looking toward reducing executive pay, cutting down on travel costs, and reducing inefficiencies wherever they find them.

Finally, this sales tax will fall hardest on those who have little or nothing left at the end of the month. According to the Utah Taxpayers Association, the average Utahns already pays \$720 in sales taxes every year, and \$3,304 in combined state and local taxes. The local option tax would add a few cents to most purchases, which quickly adds up.

If the sales tax increase is passed, Utahns would pay a quarter of a cent more for all purchases. In Salt Lake County, this increased sales tax would scrape \$50 million out of our checkbooks, according to the state's own analysis.

Government doesn't need more money—it needs to better prioritize where it spends the taxes we already pay. Please vote NO on Proposition 1.

Evelyn Everton
State Director, Americans for Prosperity-Utah
Sandy Resident ■

"Bark in the Park" A Howling Success

It was fun in the sun for dogs of all kinds at Mountview Park on Sept. 19.

There were dogs that do tricks, dogs up for adoption and plenty of dog treats to go around during Cottonwood Heights' "Bark in the Park" event.

Many dogs were able to cool off on Mountview Park's splash pad, too.

Thanks to all who made this year's event so successful. ■



CH Joins "Idle Free" Awareness Campaign

Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore and the Cottonwood Heights City Council joined with other local Utah leaders to support the "Idle Free Awareness" campaign in September.

The Utah Clean Cities Coalition (UCCC) spearheads the annual campaign.

The mayor and council issued a proclamation in support of the effort eliminate vehicle pollution in Cottonwood Heights.

The UCCC is a non-profit organization providing tools and resources for voluntary, community based programs to reduce consumption of petroleum-based fuels. The UCCC also serves as a resource to promote clean strategies.

Mayor Cullimore and other Utah mayors also offered their support to Governor Gary Herbert, who signed a state-wide "Idle Free Awareness" declaration in early September.

Cottonwood Heights appreciates everyone who helps keep our air a little cleaner. ■

Creating a Business/School Connection

Are you interested in getting your business involved with schools in Cottonwood Heights? Do you want to connect with education leaders who can let you know how that can happen?

On Friday, Oct. 9 from 8-9 a.m. at Cottonwood Heights City Hall (1265 E. Fort Union Blvd. first floor-training room), the Cottonwood Heights Business Association welcomes Brighton High School's Work-based Learning expert Eileen Kasteler. She will discuss opportunities for businesses in the city including job shadowing, internships, career fairs, guest speaking and much more!

If you'd like to attend, RSVP to Peri Kinder at pkinder@ch.utah.gov or 801-944-7067. ■



The Challenge Of Hiring Police Officers

By Assistant Chief Paul Brenneman



In early 1985, the State of Utah conducted a test to establish a hiring list that departments from around the state could use to find suitable

candidates who wanted to become police officers. The test aimed to identify quality officer candidates. Back then, the testing was conducted in large auditoriums, and it was not uncommon for the facility to be full of people who wanted to be police officers. Back then, anyone who wanted to be a police officer had to be hired by a police department prior to attending the academy.

Those numbers grew even more over the next few decades, with thousands applying for a handful of jobs.

Skip forward to 2013. The Cottonwood Heights Police Department (CHPD) issued a hiring announcement, seeking people who want to become police officers, specifically asking for officer candidates who have successfully completed their academy training. The department received more than 90 applications for one opening.

Over the past five months, CHPD has conducted two separate recruitments for police officer positions. One of them sought two qualified candidates who had never attended the police academy. There were forty applicants who applied. The next recruitment sought experienced officers who are also known as "laterals." These officers have a minimum of five years of police experience. We received a

total of 17 applications, only seven of which were selected to enter the testing process.

What is the difference between 1985 and now? In 1985, the average person had no cause to question the integrity and ability of a police officer. No one knew what a "24 hour news cycle" was nor did they care. Rodney King and Eric Garner were completely unknown to the world and Michael Brown had yet to be born. Most police officers were respected and revered, not feared by the average Utahn. The economy was such that a government job was secure and had good benefits with a stable pension looming at the end of a reputable career.

Situations across the nation have altered the way officers are viewed by the general public. In the past, officers were afforded the benefit of the doubt until the official investigation ran its course. In today's atmosphere, the officer is scrutinized by the press and on social media even though the investigation has not been completed. They are now ridiculed, scorned, assaulted and even killed because they wear the uniform of a police officer. Many know about the ambushes of officers in New York, Las Vegas, Texas, Atlanta, Eagle Mountain, Draper and the list unfortunately goes on. While there are some officers who need to be removed from the profession, the vast majority work hard, care about the people they serve and do so with integrity. These developments can and do affect the number of people who seek positions as officers. The respect previously shown to those who wear the uniform has been drastically reduced. The allure to become an officer is no longer so strong.

These high profile attacks on officers are only part of the problem. Changes in retirement benefits and restriction on lateral movements between departments have also lessened the appeal of being a first responder. Such changes have drastically reduced the number of qualified applicants.

The hiring of a police officer in this day is difficult and will likely get worse before it gets better. Competition for limited candidates is stronger than ever. Large city police departments in the valley are down twenty and

thirty officers. Smaller agencies have similar issues with vacancies. All will continue to struggle to keep their ranks full.

CHPD has been lucky in finding good quality candidates but even now, we are starting to struggle, and recognize that things need to be done to reverse the trends we are seeing. We in the profession need to work hard to mend fences with those who we serve so that trust and respect can be the norm again. Those who are consumers of the news can demand that the media present a balanced view of events based upon facts known and not conjecture and rumors. They can work to reduce the negative impact that the 24 hour news cycle has created on the way we view news stories. Finally, we can find ways to entice our best and brightest candidates to join the profession of public service. While we can't compete with the private sector with salaries, we can return to the days when the prospect of a fair pension that awaits those who successfully navigate years of service in harm's way. ■

UFA To Host Fire Prevention Open House

Unified Fire Authority Station 110 will hold an open house on Oct. 24 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (1790 E. Fort Union Boulevard.)

The open house will help educate citizens of Cottonwood Heights during Fire Prevention Month.

The open house will provide information on CPR, fire/rescue demonstrations, and other ideas on how to keep homes safe from devastating fires or other safety hazards. Station tours will also be provided, along some free goodies.

Come and learn how to keep your family safe.



What To Do About Squatters

The problem of “squatting” could happen anywhere. It did happen earlier this summer near the intersection of Creek and Danish Roads. It started with a bank-owned home that had been vacated by the owners.

The house was not empty for long before it was taken over by squatters. The situation came to a head after a 911 call reporting an altercation between a man who was allegedly pointing a gun at a woman in a car parked in a driveway. Adding to the tense situation was an uncooperative and combative suspect in the kitchen, and a SWAT team doing an exercise in the area.

With a search warrant, a drug sniffing dog and the SWAT team, officers entered the home. What officers found didn't surprise them, but it

did surprise the neighbors: stolen trailers from Holladay and Texas, generators from a local construction company, several motorcycles and cars. One officer remembered a recent burglary case reporting stolen vintage video games. All the games were found in a stolen car in the driveway.

A conversation with Assistant Chief Paul Brenneman pointed out the red flags that all neighbors should be aware of.

- Neighbors, get to know normal activity of your community. People coming and going at odd, unusual hours is often a sign of foul play.
- People hanging around smoking when you know your neighbors don't smoke.

- House seems empty but there's no “For Sale” sign and no indication that the house has changed hands.
- Accumulating mail and newspapers.
- Lawn dies from lack of watering or lawn overgrows from lack of attention.
- All these changes in the character of a home could take weeks or months.

If you think someone is living in a vacant home illegally, Brenneman encourages you to call the non-emergency number 801-840-4000. Officers are eager to check on what could develop into unlawful situations. ■



Water Lines To Be Replaced

The Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities will replace water lines on the east side of Cottonwood Heights during the fall of 2015.

The project will affect Enchanted Hills, Mountain Estates, Country Manor, 7590 South, and Avondale Drive areas.

The purpose of the project is to replace aging water lines on Enchanted Hills Drive from 3175 East to 3500 East; Mountain Estates Drive from 7635 South to Bengal Blvd.; Country Manor Road from 3500 East to Country Hollow Dr.; 7590 South from 3395 East to 3500 East; Avondale Drive from Summer Hill Dr. to 7650 South.

This project should reduce the maintenance needed on the water lines in these streets, while improving fire hydrant flow and water pressure within the area.

A majority of the work will take place within existing roadway surfaces. Short-term road closures or detours may be required.

Before construction activities begin, notification will be sent to each residence in the areas adjacent to the work. The information in the notice will include the timing of construction, anticipated road closures, potential water service outages, and any other impacts of the project.

Prior to working in any open traffic area, the contractor will submit a traffic plan to the Cottonwood Heights Engineer for approval. This should minimize impacts to public and private property access. Residents are asked to avoid parking vehicles within the road right-of-way while construction is occurring on their street. This will protect personal property, minimize impact to neighborhoods, and expedite work.

In most cases, the contractor will be required to complete major construction and road restoration during a 45-day period to limit the impact on any one street.

SLC Public Utilities encourages neighborhood participation to keep children away from the construction equipment and work areas.

Existing water lines are constructed on public roads, which are in public rights-of-way. During construction, the contractor will store supplies only within the public right-of-way or in areas where they have permission.

It will be necessary for residents and businesses to shut water off during part of the construction of the various connections. Usually, this will take only six hours. Unless there is an emergency, a 48-hour notice will be given prior to any shutdowns.

Once service is connected to the new water main, residents and business operators will be given instructions as to the best way to turn water back on and flush individual systems. ■

Monster Mash Coming To CH Recreation Center



Your little ghosts and mummies are invited to attend a “spook-tacular” event this month.

Our annual kid's Halloween Monster Mash Party on Ice will be held Friday, Oct. 30 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center.

All activities are FREE for kids 12 and under, including ice skating, games, a non-scary carved pumpkin walk, and treats.

This year, Spiderman, Baymax (Big Hero 6), Cinderella, Ariel, and Rapunzel will be stopping by from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., so don't forget to bring your camera.

Come dressed in your costume and enjoy the ghoulish fun with us. ■

Cottonwood Heights Parks & Recreation Service Area Election for District #3

Cottonwood Heights Parks & Recreation Service Area (CHPRSA) will be holding a Service Area General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2015. The election will be for one candidate for District #3 to serve as a trustee on the Service Area board of trustees for a four-year term.

The Board of Trustees is comprised of three elected members who are residents of the community and are responsible for over-seeing the setting of policies, procedures, rates, taxes and the over-all direction of CHPRSA.

There are three qualified candidates running for office this term, Nancy Dahill, John B. “Jeb” McCandless and Debbie Tyler. There will be no voting by mail for this election.

The only voting place will be at the Cottonwood Heights Parks & Recreation Service Area Office, located at 7500 S. 2700 E. Cottonwood Heights, Utah 84121.

Voting will be held on Tuesday, November 3, from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. ■

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UPCOMING LESSONS: LEARN TO SKATE

Tuesdays 6:15pm-6:45pm
Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17, Dec. 1, 8 & 15

Wednesdays 6:15pm-6:45pm
Oct. 21, 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, Dec. 2, 9 & 16

SWIM LESSONS

Mornings: M,W,F
11am-12:30pm. Oct. 19-Oct. 30

Evenings:T,Th
5pm-7pm. Oct. 27-Nov. 12

Saturdays:
9am-11:30am. Oct. 31-Dec. 12

PRE COMP SWIMMING

Mon.-Thurs.
Oct. 5-Oct. 29

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MONSTER MASH

Friday, October 30

5:00pm-7:00pm

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DIST# 3 - Michael J. Peterson

DIST# 4 - Tee W. Tyler

CITY MANAGER - John Park

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Finance Director.....944-7012
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City Council Meetings

Oct. 6 - Work Session 6 p.m.

Oct. 13 - Work Session 6 p.m.,
Business Meeting 7 p.m.

*(Work session reconvenes after
business meeting.)*

Oct. 20 - Work Session 6 p.m.

Oct. 27 - Work Session 6 p.m.,
Business Meeting 7 p.m. *(Work
session reconvenes after business
meeting.)*

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CH Student Profiles

- Brighton's Simi Fehoko has been named Utah's best football player by MaxPreps. Fehoko, a Stanford commit, was spotlighted in a state-by-state article by the popular website dedicated to coverage of U.S. high school sports.
- The sky's the limit for Brighton's Pyper Atkins and Hillcrest's Emily Morgan and Nityam Rathi, who were named semi-finalists in the 2015-2016 National Merit Scholarship competition. The Cottonwood Heights teens are among fewer than one percent of U.S. high school seniors to achieve the honor, based on scores on the 2013 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. Winners will be announced in spring 2016.

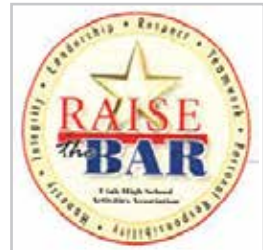


- Brighton High is being honored by the Utah High School Activities Association for



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stellar sportsmanship on an off the field. The UHSAA's "Raise the Bar" recognition follows the Bengals' five stars earned for sportsmanship, meaning they met UHSAA honorable sportsmanship criteria five years in a row. ■



Police Honored During Annual Banquet

Members of the Cottonwood Heights Police Department were honored during a banquet at the Market Street Broiler on Aug. 26.

The event was emceed by KUTV anchors Shauna Lake and Mark Koelbel. KSL Radio host Doug Wright also gave a speech honoring all officers who put their lives in harm's way.

Teenage recording star and Cottonwood Heights resident Lexi Walker also performed several musical numbers during the gathering.

We appreciate all our officers and all they do to keep our city safe. ■



CH Business Spotlights



Better Future Mental Health

Benjamin Tam, LCSW, is committed to help people struggling with addictions. He understands how difficult it is to deal with these challenges while creating a healthy lifestyle. His practice at Better Future Mental Health (7084 S. 2300 East #140) provides a safe environment where his patients can heal. Benjamin is also certified in EMDR, an eye movement reprocessing to help people dealing with PTSD from any type of trauma. For more information, call 801-500-1400. ■



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CHBA Hosts "Meet the Candidates" Night

The Cottonwood Heights Business Association hosted a "Meet the Candidates" open house at city offices on Sept. 9.

Residents were able to meet and greet those who are vying for two seats on the city council.

Margarita Satini, who is running to represent District One was there, along with incumbent Councilmember Mike Shelton.

District Two incumbent Councilmember Scott Bracken was there, along with his challenger, Ed Schwartz.

The municipal election will take place on November 3, with mail-in balloting beforehand. ■



Municipal Election Information

The 2015 Municipal Election for Cottonwood Heights will be held on Tuesday Nov. 3, 2015.

Mail-in ballots will be sent to all registered voters by Salt Lake County Election Division the week of Oct. 5, and must be returned post-marked no later than Nov. 2, 2015.

For those opting not to vote by mail, voting

booths will be available to citizens who wish to vote in person at city offices located at 1265 E. Fort Union Boulevard, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Two Cottonwood Heights city council seats will be decided in the municipal election, along with Proposition 1, a proposed countywide tax measure. ■